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BURSA	17-Mar	Day chg	% chg
KLCI	1,411.7	20.13	1.45%
FTSE EMAS	10,336.4	155.2	1.52%
FTSE Smallcap	15,242.5	225.89	1.50%
FTSE MESDAQ	5,248.9	58.2	1.12%
KLSE Mkt Cap (RM'b)	1,617.7	-33.8	-2.05%

**BURSA DAILY TRADING PARTICIPATION**

Participation	Net (RM'm)	Value (%)
Local Institution	187.7	46.0%
Local Retail	-97.5	18.4%
Foreign	-90.3	35.6%

INDICES	17-Mar	Day chg	% chg
Dow Jones	31,862.0	-384.6	-1.19%
S&P 500	3,916.6	-43.6	-1.10%
NASDAQ	11,630.5	-86.77	-0.74%
FTSE-100	7,335.4	-74.6	-1.01%
Nikkei 225	27,333.8	323.2	1.20%
SHCOMP	3,250.5	23.655	0.73%
HSI	19,518.6	314.7	1.64%
STI	3,183.3	27.7	0.88%
KOSPI	2,395.7	17.8	0.75%
TWSE	15,453.0	231.8	1.52%
JCI	6,678.2	112.509	1.71%
SET	1,563.7	9.0	0.58%

FOREX	17-Mar	16-Mar	% chg
USD/MYR:	4.4865	4.5030	-0.37%
EUR/USD:	1.0670	1.0616	0.51%
GBP/USD:	1.2173	1.2050	1.02%
USD/YEN:	131.85	132.85	-0.75%
USD/SGD:	1.3423	1.3470	-0.35%
USD/HKD:	7.8494	7.8494	0.00%

**KEY STATS**

KLCI Spot			
Vol (m shares):	4,426.7	3,523.5	25.63%
Value (RMm):	4,088.4	2,220.4	84.13%
KLCI Future			
March-23	1,412.0	1,385.0	1.95%
April-23	1,414.0	1,386.0	2.02%
CPO Price (RM/tonne)			
Soybean (US\$/bu)	1,476.5	1,491.5	-1.01%
SoyOil (USc/lb)	57.5	57.8	-0.47%
Gold (US\$/troy oz)	1,973.5	1,923.0	2.63%
Nymex crude oil (US\$/bbl)	66.7	68.4	-2.36%
Latex (RM/kg)	5.19	5.24	-0.86%
Tin (US\$/mt)	22,400.00	22,118.0	1.27%

# Research Highlights

**NEWS HIGHLIGHTS**

- Poh Huat's 1Q earnings down 55% amid weakening furniture demand in North America
- HLT Global proposes RM120m capital reduction to offset accumulated losses
- Country Heights fails to complete RM44.1m acquisition of office tower
- MPay announces online financing service for gold trade, to be launched in 3Q2023
- Sentoria disposes of RM8.2m worth of land in Kuching

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- Miti secures RM24.0b potential investments from South Korea
- Domestic egg production shows signs of stability, says Mat Sabu
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- OECD hikes growth outlook, but warns recovery fragile
- UK public's inflation expectations fall, BoE says
- UK drops plan to tax sovereign wealth funds

**IDEAS OF THE DAY (SEE SEPARATE REPORTS FOR DETAILS)**

- Thematic Report: Lestari Gems
- Weekly Technical Review
- Regional News Update

#	Top Volume			Top Gainer			Top Loser					
	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)	Stock	Price	%Chg (+/-)	Vol (m)
1	IHH	5.82	0.3	39.40	IOICORP	3.91	4.6	18.70	PETDAG	20.22	-0.8	0.61
2	PBBANK	3.97	1.0	36.60	AXIATA	3.05	4.5	4.63	MISC	7.06	-0.7	3.62
3	CELCOMDIGI	4.05	0.0	26.20	KLK	21.56	4.4	3.15	CELCOMDIGI	4.05	0.0	26.20
4	SIME	2.16	1.9	23.80	PICHEM	7.23	3.4	14.90	GENTING	4.56	0.0	5.33
5	IOICORP	3.91	4.6	18.70	TM	4.96	3.3	3.37	INARI	2.35	0.0	4.32
6	CIMB	5.22	1.4	16.90	MAXIS	3.86	2.9	2.12	MRDIY	1.65	0.0	7.03
7	PICHEM	7.23	3.4	14.90	AMBANK	3.73	2.8	10.90	NESTLE	134.00	0.0	0.11
8	MAYBANK	8.38	1.5	14.80	GENM	2.66	2.3	9.68	RHBBANK	5.50	0.2	6.08
9	AMBANK	3.73	2.8	10.90	TENAGA	9.55	2.1	5.87	IHH	5.82	0.3	39.40
10	GENM	2.66	2.3	9.68	SIME	2.16	1.9	23.80	QL	5.67	0.4	1.74

Notes: # KL Composite Index (FBMKLCI) component stocks

## Corporate News

- **Poh Huat's 1Q earnings down 55% amid weakening furniture demand in North America**

Poh Huat Resources Holdings Bhd saw its net profit drop by 55% to RM6.8m or 2.6 sen a share for the first quarter ended Jan 31, 2023 (1QFY2023), amid weaker consumer spending power and business confidence in North America. This compares with RM15.4m or 5.8 sen per share a year ago, while revenue dropped 35% to RM119.5m, from RM183m previously. Main buyers in North America have made adjustments to their procurement and inventory to reflect the weaker demand, said the furniture maker in a bourse filing with Bursa Malaysia on Friday (March 17). (*The Edge Markets*)

- **HLT Global proposes RM120m capital reduction to offset accumulated losses**

HLT Global Bhd, the glove-dipping lines expert that was once a darling of local stock market at the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, is proposing a capital reduction exercise as a set-off against its nearly RM100m of accumulated losses as at end-2022. The proposed capital reduction entails the cancellation of RM120m from its share capital, which stood at RM208.3m comprising 775.4m shares as at March 7. "The reduced issued share capital pursuant to the proposed capital reduction will also reflect more accurately the value of the underlying assets and the financial position of the company," said HLT in a filing with Bursa Malaysia on Friday (March 17). (*The Edge Markets*)

- **Country Heights fails to complete RM44.1m acquisition of office tower**

Country Heights Holdings Bhd has failed to complete the acquisition of a 10-storey office tower, The Heritage Tower @ Mines Wellness City, for RM44.1m after its unit failed to pay 90% of the purchase consideration on time. In a bourse filing on Friday (March 17), Country Heights said the group's unit Country Heights Sea Resort Sdn Bhd (CHSR) was unable to proceed with the completion of the acquisition after it failed to pay the outstanding balance of RM39.7m. "Maybank has rejected CHSR's request for an extension of time to make the balance consideration payment, and the company is unable to comply with Chapter 10 of the Listing Requirements on related party transactions by the balance consideration payment deadline of March 15, 2023. (*The Edge Markets*)

- **MPay announces online financing service for gold trade, to be launched in 3Q2023**

ManagePay Systems Bhd (MPay) announced its online financing platform QuickKredit — the Shariah-compliant platform that enables investors to buy and trade gold with credit. In a statement, MPay said buyers can buy gold by acquiring purchasing financing from QuickKredit with interest based on Tawarruq financing. Users may also choose to receive their gold physically, store it in a secured vault or pawn their purchased gold for a fee and repurchase it later in the form of Ar Rahn practice. (*The Edge Markets*)



- **Sentoria disposes of RM8.2m worth of land in Kuching**

Sentoria Group Bhd through its wholly owned subsidiary Sentoria Borneo Land Sdn Bhd has entered into a sales agreement with Pembinaan Dinasti Tias Sdn Bhd to dispose of several plots of land in Bandar Semariang, Kuching. Sentoria said the disposal will realise proceeds of RM8.2m, which will be utilised to repay bank borrowings, said the group in a Bursa Malaysia filing on Friday (March 17). The disposal is expected to generate an estimated net gain of RM600,000. The repayment is expected to result in interest savings of approximately RM390,000 per annum and lower gearing from 2.8 times as at March 31, 2022 to 2.7 times after the disposal. (*The Edge Markets*)

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## Macro Bits

### Global

- [UK, Russia only major economies to face recession, OECD says](#) Britain will join Russia this year as the only major economies likely to contract, the OECD said as it upgraded its outlook for global growth. *(Bloomberg)*
- [Black Sea drones show U.S. involvement in conflict against Russia, says Kremlin](#) U.S. drone flights over the Black Sea are a sign of direct U.S. involvement in conflict with Russia, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov was quoted as saying on Sunday. *(Reuters)*

### Malaysia

- [Miti secures RM24.0b potential investments from South Korea](#) The International Trade and Industry Ministry (Miti) has secured potential investments worth RM24.0b as well as RM4.24b of potential exports of products and services through its recent trade and investment mission to South Korea. *(The Edge Markets)*
- [Domestic egg production shows signs of stability, says Mat Sabu](#) The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security is expecting domestic egg production to recover by the end of this year. *(The Edge Markets)*

### Asia Pacific

- [China cuts banks' reserve ratio for first time in 2023 to aid recovery](#) China's central bank said on Friday it would cut the amount of cash that banks must hold as reserves for the first time this year to help keep liquidity ample and support a nascent economic recovery. *(Reuters)*
- [China Jan-Feb fiscal revenue shrinks despite pick-up in economy](#) China's fiscal revenues fell 1.2% in the first two months of 2023 from a year earlier, the finance ministry said on Friday, despite signs that economic activity was starting to recover after the lifting of tough COVID measures. *(Reuters)*
- [Japan's Feb consumer inflation seen slowing sharply on subsidies](#) Japan's core consumer inflation likely slowed sharply in February from a 41-year high in the previous month, a Reuters poll of 20 economists showed, as government subsidies for gas and electricity bills cushion rising living costs. *(Reuters)*

### Americas

- [U.S. consumer sentiment ebbs in March; inflation expectations fall](#) U.S. consumer sentiment fell for the first time four months in March, though households expected inflation to subside over the next 12 months and beyond, a survey showed on Friday. *(Reuters)*
- [U.S. labour market remains tight; housing market stabilizing](#) The number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits fell more than expected last week, pointing to continued labour market strength, though financial markets turmoil is casting a shadow over the economy. *(Reuters)*

### Europe

- [ECB hawks press case for more rate hikes to fight dogged inflation](#) The European Central Bank (ECB) will likely need to raise interest rates further to tame persistent inflation, two leading hawks on the bank's policymaking Governing Council said on Saturday, while playing down the risk of repeat of the 2008 financial crisis. *(Reuters)*
- [OECD hikes growth outlook, but warns recovery fragile](#) The global economic outlook has improved from a few months ago as the inflation shock eases but rising interest rates will keep risks high, the OECD said on Friday, hiking its growth forecasts for major economies. *(Reuters)*
- [UK public's inflation expectations fall, BoE says](#) The British public's expectations for inflation have fallen, the Bank of England said in a survey it published on Friday ahead of its decision next week on whether to raise interest rates for the 11th meeting in a row. *(Reuters)*
- [UK drops plan to tax sovereign wealth funds](#) British finance minister Jeremy Hunt has dropped a plan to tax sovereign wealth funds investing in Britain, according to a government document. *(Reuters)*



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## List of Oversold Stocks (14-Day RSI<30-mark)

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D
JAKS RESOURCES BHD	0.195	13.91	6.47	0.11	0.190
HAP SENG CONSOLIDATED	5.150	16.09	9.82	0.99	5.150
DUTCH LADY MILK INDS BHD	26.200	17.38	15.30	9.75	26.000
CAN-ONE BHD	2.880	23.02	20.14	13.45	2.880
SHIN YANG SHIPPING CORP BHD	0.575	23.20	18.89	17.92	0.560
HIBISCUS PETROLEUM BHD	0.955	24.53	15.17	1.02	0.950
YINSON HOLDINGS BHD	2.410	25.18	17.29	5.80	2.380
I-BHD	0.235	26.06	25.09	43.33	0.230
TA ANN HOLDINGS BERHAD	3.170	26.73	22.95	25.71	3.130
CARLSBERG BREWERY MALAYSIA B	21.140	27.30	22.12	14.80	21.140
SAMCHEM HOLDINGS BHD	0.560	27.95	26.15	20.38	0.555
BONIA CORP BHD	2.170	28.04	22.49	17.63	2.140
MALAYSIAN BULK CARRIERS BHD	0.335	28.10	23.62	15.60	0.330
V.S. INDUSTRY BERHAD	0.830	29.48	25.94	39.96	0.815
AEON CREDIT SERVICE M BHD	11.340	29.89	29.74	32.66	11.200

\*Only for stocks with market cap &gt;RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

## List of Overbought Stocks (14-Day RSI>70-mark)

NAME*	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	HIGH 30D
AIRASIA X BHD	1.680	90.26	92.87	97.28	1.790
HARRISONS HOLDINGS MALAYSIA	8.280	79.84	82.98	89.88	8.280
FGV HOLDINGS BHD	1.610	75.42	78.15	86.68	1.610
EG INDUSTRIES BHD	1.440	74.09	72.98	81.22	1.460
HARTALEGA HOLDINGS BHD	1.900	71.83	80.04	96.29	1.900

\*Only for stocks with market cap &gt;RM300m

Source: Bloomberg

## List of Oversold Warrants (14-Day RSI<30-mark)

NAME	LAST PRICE	RSI 14D	RSI 9D	RSI 3D	LOW 30D	EXPIRY DATE
COMPUTER FORMS MALAYSIA BHD-WA	0.065	9.48	5.02	0.71	0.060	22/12/2025
CLASSIC SCENIC BHD-WA	0.310	13.83	9.09	2.17	0.300	8/8/2026
FTSE BURSA MALAYSIA KLCI INDEX - KUALA LUMPUR COMPOSITE INDEX-IH VS INDUSTRY BHD-WB	0.110	17.31	21.67	47.02	0.090	30/6/2023
HARTALEGA HOLDINGS BHD-F	0.070	18.57	12.47	1.89	0.070	14/6/2024
TELEKOM MALAYSIA BHD-C96	0.020	23.93	35.66	83.49	0.005	31/5/2023
DAGANG NEXCHANGE BHD-C6	0.010	25.11	19.52	8.02	0.010	28/4/2023
ASTRO MALAYSIA HOLDINGS BHD-C40	0.010	25.30	28.54	8.87	0.010	30/8/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LN	0.005	27.01	34.75	39.98	0.005	10/5/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LI	0.120	28.24	23.20	8.28	0.110	27/4/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LH	0.055	28.34	23.78	18.91	0.035	30/3/2023
HANG SENG INDEX-LH	0.005	29.08	22.79	6.03	0.005	30/3/2023

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UNDERPERFORM	: A particular stock's Expected Total Return is LESS than -5%

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OVERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is MORE than 10%
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UNDERWEIGHT	: A particular sector's Expected Total Return is LESS than -5%

**\*\*\*Sector recommendations are defined based on market capitalisation weighted average expected total return for stocks under our coverage.**

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